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After line ending in "PAT 5,636,292, add the following four lines:

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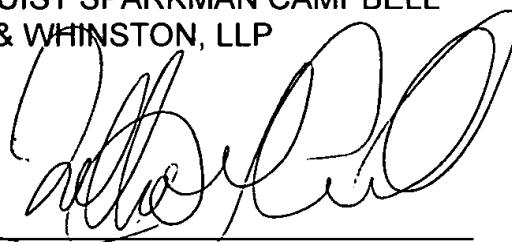
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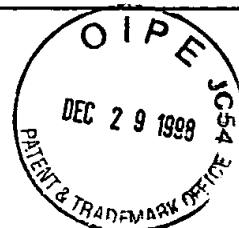


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Related Application Data

This application is a continuation of application No. 08/763,847, filed December 4, 5 1996, allowed, which is a continuation of application No. 08/512,993, filed August 9, 1995, now abandoned, which is a continuation-in-part of each of applications 08/436,098 (now Patent 5,636,292), 08/436,099 (now Patent 5,710,834), 08/436,102 (now Patent 5,748,783), 08/436,134 (now Patent 5,748,763), and 08/438,159 (co-pending), each filed May 8, 1995. This application is also a continuation-in-part of copending application 08/327,426, filed 10 October 21, 1994, which is a continuation-in-part of application 08/215,289, filed March 17, 1994, now abandoned, which is a continuation-in-part of application 08/154,866, filed November 18, 1993, now abandoned.

Technical Field

15 The present invention relates to the field of photograph-based identification systems.

Background and Summary of The Invention

The use of photograph-based identification ("photo ID") systems is pervasive. Drivers' 20 licenses, passports, visas, government employee cards, immigration documents, and now, more frequently, credit cards and cash transaction cards carry a photograph of the card bearer for identification purposes. Many industries require that their employees carry photo ID on the job.

Fraudulent use of photo ID systems may occur where, for example, an otherwise legitimate passport is modified such that the original photograph is swapped with that of another person, thereby enabling the other person to travel, at least temporarily, under the 25 guise of the original passport holder.

Even in the absence of photograph swapping or alteration, it is oftentimes difficult to confirm by inspection that the individual depicted in the photograph of the identification card is indeed the bearer of the card.